

BUDDHIST RITES

Services For Repose of Dowager Empress.

JAPANESE AT INDEPENDENCE PARK

Interesting to Orientals Only.

Not a Large Gathering Considering Population—Very Few White People Present.

What would be termed in Catholic Church circles the first "solemn requiem mass" for the repose of the soul of the Dowager Empress of Japan was said with great pomp and ceremony at Independence Park pavilion Saturday night. To the 14 white people, exclusive of members of the band, the ceremonies were neither interesting or edifying.

The grounds around the entrance to the park were brilliantly illuminated with lanterns of the election procession variety, and a miniature light house on either side of the bridge guided the faithful to the hall, where the high priests and subordinates were to meet and say prayers for the dead. At the street gate guests were received by a committee of Japanese, and their names recorded by members of another committee, sitting at a table, on which were stuck some tallow candles. Females were provided with small pieces of white silk, which they pinned in their hair at the crown of their heads. The men folks were decorated with bands of black crepe, fastened around their left arms. These decorations were the open sesame at the entrance to the pavilion.

The hall was neither brilliantly illuminated or elaborately decorated. A few Japanese flags, bordered on the upper edge with black, constituting all there was out of the ordinary. The altar faced the door, and was decorated with evergreens and tall pyramids, containing Japanese characters. Two large candles, encased in red, illuminated the space set apart for devotions by the priests. Half a dozen bowls of various sizes, from which smoke emitted, after the manner of Kilauea on an off day, represented, possibly, the various way stations at which her late majesty paused before reaching goal. On one side of the raised altar was a stack of apples and oranges; on the opposite, a pyramid of biscuits, made of rice, much resembling, in height and texture, a bride's first attempt in this line. At a fair sum per pound, the collection would bring a fortune to a manufacturer of the commodity. On a platform at the Ewa end of the hall Professor Burgess and the full Hawaiian Band were stationed, and promptly at 7:45 played the "Dead March from Saul," the crowd in the meantime filling in, the constant patter of the mud shoes breaking the harmony of the music, and crying babies added to the discord. One side of the hall contained chairs for little Japanese maidens, while the men were relegated to chairs on the other end. The few white people present were placed in a corner near the altar. A few minutes before 8 four richly garbed priests entered and took their places on the altar and began their prayers, one at a time in a low voice, which resembled to a degree the yawn that goes with an attack of Malaria or sea-sickness.

The more earnest the devotions the louder was the yawn. This continued at intervals until 9 o'clock, the band filling in the gap with selections of morose Japanese music. A half hour before the services terminated some members of the committee arranged a row of tables, each containing a saucer filled with dry powder, and a bowl containing a smouldering mass. At a sign the men in the audience lined up, and, taking a pinch of the powder, raised it close to their foreheads, and then cast it into the bowl. This act was repeated twice, and then each man said a prayer and knelt down to the priests. When the men had finished the women went through the same performance, and then followed a distribution of the fruit and biscuits among the multitude. Promptly at 9 o'clock the band played another funeral march, and the services closed with "Sweet Bye and Bye." There were no addresses, no remarks of any kind to the people assembled by any of the Buddhist priests or people in the audience, and the only ones present whose faces bore a solemn expression were the members of the band and the four priests.

The white guests were: Miss Maroney, Mrs. J. N. Wright, Miss Wright, Mrs. Loe, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Scott, Professor and Mrs. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lightfoot, M. S. Levy, George Boardman, Mr. Thompson and a reporter for the Advertiser. There were about 400 Japanese present, mostly merchants and their wives.

Y. M. C. A. Bicycle Show.

The novel entertainment, spoken of in this paper a few days ago, and which was to have been given by the Y. M. C. A., has been abandoned, so that it is now in order to say something about it. The proposition was to give a bicycle show in the Y. M. C. A. hall, and to have a performance by some fancy riders in the gymnasium. The Independence Park pavilion show materialized, and the proposition was given up, but it is thought that a show of the kind will be given by the Y. M. C. A. in the near future.

Startled the Natives.

At about 2 o'clock Sunday morning a loud report of a gun was heard in the vicinity of the

Pacific Club. Lieutenant Kekai was sent up to investigate and while on the way to the scene, a telephone message was received at the police station to the effect that some one near by the club house had fired off a revolver, for what reason it was not known. Upon investigating the matter, Lieutenant Kekai found that the shooting had been done by one F. E. Brown. No arrest was made, but the man in question was instructed to report to Marshal Brown.

Several members of the Pacific Club were still in attendance at their old haunt and were very much startled by the explosion.

HAPS AND MISHAPS

Numerous Accidents In Kauai Borders.

But the Round of Social Life Goes On Most Happily.

KEALIA, Kauai, Feb. 27.—A very pleasant social hop was given by the "Living Questions Club" at Kalapaki, Lihue, last Saturday, which proved to be the social event of the week. Mesdames C. H. Bishop, H. G. Boswell and W. T. Lucas, the committee in charge of the affair, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lydgate and other members of the club, are entitled to credit for the very pleasant evening enjoyed by a large number of the most prominent society people of the neighborhood. "Kalapaki," the very pretty beach house, belonging to Senator Wm. H. Rice, was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the club being indebted to the courtesy of Wm. H. Rice, Jr., for the use of the premises.

This club is a literary society, organized by Rev. Mr. Lydgate some three months ago, and numbers among its members many of the leading citizens of the district, who meet weekly for the review and discussion of the leading topics of the day throughout the world, and has developed into quite a popular society. At the last meeting, Rev. Mr. Lydgate read an interesting and instructive paper on the "Panama Canal," which he illustrated by colored views and plans of the work, made by himself.

Mrs. Ernst Lindermann, a most enthusiastic member of the club, has invited the members to a picnic up the beautiful Waialua River next Saturday. An enjoyable outing is anticipated.

There has been a succession of mishaps at three prominent mills of this island during the past fortnight. At Kealia, a broken or loosened roll, forwarded to Honolulu for repairs per James Makee last Thursday, this being the first time that steamer has been able to make her moorings at Kapaa for nearly three weeks, owing to the very rough weather. At Lihue, a broken 12-ton steel roll and the return bar. The Mikahala made a special trip to bring the new roll to this mill, arriving at Nawiliwili last Sunday, but owing to rough weather was unable to land it until Thursday, the 25th. At Kaloa, a broken roll, said to be the largest on the island, caused a shut-down of the mill for several days.

The weather has moderated very considerably during the last 48 hours, this being a most charming and perfect day. The wind is light and from the northward.

NOT FULL YET.

The world is by no means full up yet. Queensland has still an area of 450,000,000 acres to a population of about 450,000 people. Its government has lately been offering more tempting conditions to settlers, who may now hold ordinary land for twenty years at a rental of three pence per acre, while "scrub land" may be selected in areas up to 10,000 acres and held for thirty years at an average rental per acre of very much less than a penny. This ought to be good news for many struggling for a bare living in the mother country. Of course the climatic conditions in many portions of the colony are trying, but so they are in western Australia, which at the present time is adding 750 per week to its population, and the revenue of which has been increasing at a rate far outstripping the calculations of its treasurer. But this may be only temporary, and it may be that Queensland may be the home of millions of our fellow countrymen after the golden age in the west of the colonial continent has passed away.—Westminster Gazette.

SALVAGE FROM THE OCEAN.

Some money, part of \$100,000 in Brazilian paper currency, lost in the wreck of the steamer Euzes Ayres on the coast of Brazil, between Pernambuco and Rio Janeiro, six years ago, has just turned up in a fishing village north of Oporto in Portugal. The British company that paid the insurance recently received an anonymous letter from Portugal, which put in the hands of the Portuguese police, who have already recovered \$4500. The case containing the money was picked up by Oporto fishermen, fishing on the Brazil coast, who divided it among themselves and said nothing. They vowed to give part of it to the church and were betrayed for not keeping their vow.

FOR WHAT CAUSE?

J. D. Paris Wants to Know Why He Was Relieved.

AND LESS LOYAL RETAINED

Gives Up His Job Gladly and Speaks.

Wants No Dumb Slaves and Donkeys in His Office.

MR. EDITOR.—The following is a copy of a letter from the President of the Board of Education and speaks for itself:

HONOLULU, H. I., Oct. 8, 1896.

Mr. J. D. Paris, School Agent:

Dear Sir:—It has come to the knowledge of this Department that you have refused to either fill out your census returns or answer the questions of the enumerator, thus defying the authority of the Department, and violating a statute that has been in force for some 30 years.

This which would be highly objectionable in any citizen, is especially so in one who is the official representative of the Department under which the census is taken. Your condition is not only in contempt of this Department and in violation of this law, but is calculated to have a very bad effect on the people of your district, especially the native Hawaiians.

Under these circumstances, it is not considered proper that you should continue to represent the Department of Public Instruction in the District of Kona, your position as School Agent will, therefore, terminate at the end of the present month.

HENRY E. COOPER, Minister Public Instruction.

The judges of the Supreme Court have now given a unanimous decision vindicating the school agent and showing that he neither "defied or violated the Census law" but only asked his legal rights and that the Department of Education endorsed to force information contrary to law.

The question can now justly be asked for what cause was the school agent of North and South Kona dismissed from office? And if the above action of the President of the Department of Education which was done without the order of the board, (though afterwards approved by them) represents the broad principals of republicanism and equal rights, or that of the most absolute and despotic autocrat.

I will now give a brief review of how the census was carried on in South Kona. While the school agent is removed from office, because he did not consider the law required him to give in his cattle, horses and swine, as part of his household, having filled in all his family and those residing with him age, nationality and sex and at the same time accepts large numbers of papers from others with the same blanks unfilled shows how would-be zealous they were to carry out the law (as they construed it) and yet how unjust and inconsistent.

All school agents, teachers and others in the employ of the board are required to take oath to the Republic or be discharged from office, and yet all the sub-enumerators in South Kona who receive their commissions direct from the department were men who refuse to take oath and said openly if required to do so, they would not act. Still held their commissions, and received the Government pay. White men who stood by the Government from the start were given the cold shoulders.

Drunk judges, sheriffs, and policemen can hold their positions undisturbed. Stabbing affrays, illicit sales of liquor at public hotels, and on inter-island steam boats go on, but no Marshal is ever sent to see that the law is enforced. But if a man with a clean record dare express his honest opinion as to his rights under the law, without even a hearing, or a notice of charge made against him which would be granted the worst of criminals, is dismissed from office and the Marshal sent to prosecute him for fear of the effects on the native Hawaiians.

The office of school agent was never sought by me and if to hold offices under the department requires a man to abandon his legal rights and become a dumb slave to the department, I gladly retire.

Leaving to the public to decide

the justice of the above action and thanking you for your space.

I remain, yours truly,
J. D. PARIS.
Kauaialoa, S. Kona, Feb. 15, 1897.

KNOW THYSELF

SCIENCE HELPS TO BE YOUR OWN DOCTOR.

The Story of a Woman Who Kept Posted on the Work of Science and Saved Her Own Life.

From the Era, Bradford, Pa.

Too few people are acquainted with the rapid advance of medical science, and too many doctors are still plodding in the old paths. Once it comes to pass that people know themselves, that all physicians are abreast of the world's knowledge, much of our suffering will come to an end. Medical scientists are not delving into the depths of knowledge for the mere benefit of the world. They place in the hands of the well man a means of keeping well, in the hands of the sick man a means of recovery. To the parent they give the power of saving the child. Science is working for you—will you accept the proffered help?

Mrs. George Rowend, an estimable lady who resides at No. 276 East Main street, has cause to feel grateful towards the science of medicine.

One day recently, a reporter, learning that Mrs. Rowend had been greatly benefited by the use of a new medicine, interviewed her. She stated that she had been suffering with a female trouble for many years. She had been doctored for the ailment for a long time—in fact, nearly all her life—and had never received anything more than temporary relief. During the last three years her condition grew worse and was aggravated by an affection of the heart. Her health was so poor that she found it almost impossible to perform her household duties.

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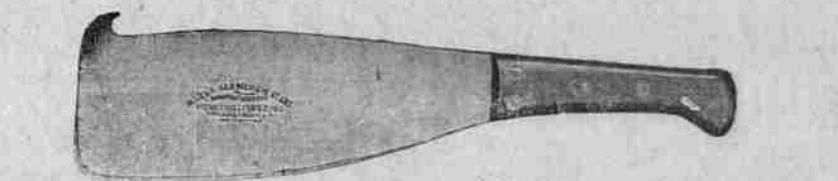
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